

Letters From Malheur County Boys Now Fighting In France

John Wood received a letter last December we buried the President week that was almost like buring Lincoln himself for France. You from the other world for it came from home know the President Lincoln has been Kenneth Melver, who was listed as torpedoed ship.

"seriously wounded" last month and from whom no word had previously been received so that his friends have had come to believe that he had died of his wounds.

In his letter from Melver gives an intimate story of his thrilling experiences as follows:

"Imagine I can hear you say, "Hello?" here's a letter from Mac at last. He is still alive."

The I am still alive and living. I never thought when I left I would be this long without writing you, but a man cannot see very far ahead nowadays. He doesn't know what the next hour will bring around, especially in the army. So you will excuse my very long delay.

Now I might as well start in and give you the story from the beginning, that is as much of my army life as I am permitted to tell.

First of all as you know I went to Camp Lewis Washington, stayed there one month, then made a trip across country to Camp Mills N. Y. where I joined the 151st Inf., the old 1st Inf. Washington. I stayed there one with Engineer regiment had two months and then one cold morning in what you might call a big town had a

T. M. C. A. waited for five thousand men and American movies every other night. The Commander in Chief of the A. E. F. and secretary of War Baker visited the place while I was there and praised the work of the men behind the lines.

Now that when over a bunch of soldiers are scattered and separated in places they are sure to leave soon, so one fine day in the latter part of May the order came: "Boys pack up, we are going." Going where? There was no one asking for there was no one who knew. We were all anxious to see something in the line of fighting, but when the train pulled out in a direction away from the front, and kept going for a day and pulled into another big American camp that we did not know anything about, we did not know what we were going to do. We lived our way life for about 15 days.

On the morning of the 18th day after our arrival the Company Commander told us all the details. The company was to be split up, all the officers and non-commissioned officers were to stay behind while the rest of us had to take nine miles into another town.

This was the first split in B company 151st, a real fine bunch of men. The question the boys then asked was: "Where do we go from here?"

We had an idea that this was a replacement camp, so in a day's time with gas masks and helmets ready, rifle and equipment in good shape, we left for the front. We didn't know what regiment we were going to join but on our arrival there we were split up again and I was sent into K company of the 15th Infantry. They were in the trenches at the time, so off the train and a good hike up to the trenches.

During my stay in the trenches that time which was the 20 days between first, second and third line, I got acquainted with trench life, high-explosive shells and machine gun battles. No fighting took place, this was a quiet time.

The longer day this will be good for the health of the men, now when we get relieved and went back to billets for a rest and a good wash-up, a few glasses of rice soup and

water. We get ration tickets for American candy and cigarettes, but the Red Cross thinks of us and we get issued every week with as much as we are not in need.

No I have not had my pictures taken yet, but will have them taken so that you will get one in the next letter you get from me. My girl over here, and the one in Missouri wait one, too, so I guess I'll have to have them taken.

It rains here about half the time, but we do not mind that for everything else is lovely and I am fine and dandy. I ran across another fellow here from Ontario. He is in the same camp with me.

I guess I'll close for this time, hoping to get an answer soon. Your son,

Pete G. P. CYLLES.

GUY W.S.

HELP FIGHTING FRANCE.

"Please don't let her bread ration be cut. Every one in article France eats her sugar ration, and she keeps on fighting as bravely as we well. The home folks keep on working. That's France."

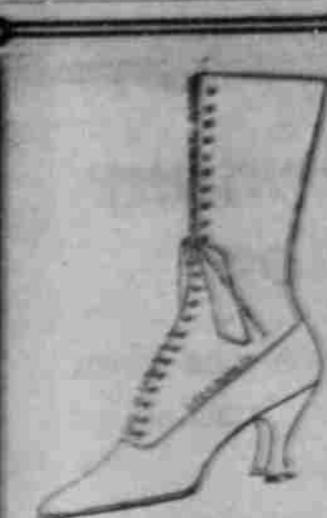
When France eats her bread ration she is eating over one-half of her diet, the bread there has always been fifty percent of the meal. But France cannot keep on doing this. She is already under-nourished. She could fight better and work better if she were fed better. We must do our utmost to see to it that the bread ration of France is not cut down a single ounce more. France must have bread if it takes our last ounce of wheat to provide it for her. France must not starve. We must save the food and send it overseas to her."

Pete Admire:

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Charles H. Strohbridge, Shreveport:

"I have not heard from you for so long that I guess I had better write again and see if will bring some small news home. You know it is pretty lame over here among strangers.

I am getting on fine and feeling fine for we are getting three square meals a day. I am working in the blacksmith shop, as you know that I am all right then.

We have been in a big of England since we have been over here. I have been in London and several of the other cities, and there is certainly so to see that 2 nights, with about 2 weeks I will tell you all about it when I get home.

I have made the mask of Pickford portraits on account of my trade and do not know whether I will ever get any higher, but 2 figures. We are taking the gas rates now, and believe me it is never bad, but all that goes to the